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Minutes 05/13/2013

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 13, 2013
7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Dunn, Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Vice Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mr. Byrne and Mr. Curro
Also present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Krepelka
*Mrs. Mahon arrived at 7:35 p.m.

FOR APPROVAL

1. **CONSENT AGENDA** (one vote required for approval of all items)
 - a. Minutes of Meetings: April 22, 2013
 - b. Request: One Day Beer & Wine License, 5/19/13 @ Robbins Memorial Town Hall Auditorium, 'Raak Thai'
James Grant, Wat Boston, Bedford, MA
 - c. Request: One Day All Alcohol License, 5/18/13 @ Fidelity House, Annual Fundraiser
Frank Tessitore
 - d. Appointments: New Election Workers
Donna Agostino, 38 Hibbert St., D, Pct. 1
Elizabeth A. McDaniel, 37R Beacon St., U, Pct. 19
Vincent A. Natale, Jr., 215 Forest St., D, Pct. 19
 - e. Reappointments: Arlington Committee on Tourism and Economic Development
Angela Olszewski
Thomas Davison
(terms to expire 4/2016)
 - f. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License
Lazaro Paving Corporation, 800 Mt. Laurel Circle, Shirley, MA
 - g. Permit for Memorial Day Parade, May 27, 2013
William F. McCarthy, Director, Veterans' Services
Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon not present for vote.

2. **Introduction: Newly Appointed Economic Development Planner**
Carol Kowalski, Director, Planning & Community Development
Ms. Kowalski introduced Ted Fields as the new Economic Development Planner for the Town of Arlington. Mr. Fields has extensive experience in Community Development, Economic Development, management of CDBG and HOME programs in Massachusetts, including posts in Framingham, Waltham, Cambridge, and Newton. He was instrumental in achieving a designated "Main Streets" downtown revitalization effort implemented in Framingham.
The Board welcomed Mr. Fields and looks forward to working with him as the Master Planning process gets underway.

3. Introduction: Route 128 Business Council

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Patrick Sullivan and Monica Tibbetts appeared before the Board as representatives of Route 128 Business Council.

Mr. Sullivan stated that the Town through the Planning Department will join the Route 128 Business Council, a Transportation Management Association. The Route 128

Business Council will help provide commuting alternatives, ridesharing options to reduce congestion and to prepare commuting studies and planning reports. The costs of Arlington's membership is \$7,100 which will be paid with FY13 Planning CDBG funds.

Mr. Sullivan stated that they anticipate using the services in the following ways:

1. A commuter survey that gives us information about where our residents go to work and how they get there.
2. A commuter needs analysis to help determine if there are commonly used routes to encourage ridesharing or shuttle service, to reduce traffic in town.
3. Possible shuttle service from Alewife Station to points in Arlington that may be hard to access without a car, such as weekend service to the Symmes site.

Mr. Curro stated that anything we can do to support and retain folks living here in Arlington would be great. The Board is very excited about participating in this study.

4. Lesley Ellis School Request: School Zone Designation, Foster and Tufts Streets

Michael Boutin, Management Analyst

Mr. Boutin stated the Gibbs School building is currently occupied by a diverse group of tenants including two education organizations (Lesley Ellis School and Room to Grow) and mentally and physically disabled adults attending the Kelliher Center. After reviewing the proposal, Mr. Boutin reached out to Officer Corey P. Rateau, Traffic Enforcement Unit of the Arlington Police Department for his input. Officer Rateau feels that "School Zone" signage can be more effective but the Transportation Advisory Committee would need to designate the area a "School Zone" for such signage to be posted. If the Transportation Advisory Committee determines that the area can be designated as a "School Zone" this would allow the posting of 20 mph signs while school is in session. Mr. Boutin feels that this solution will ensure that the proper and most effective signage is used for the area.

Mr. Greeley moved to send to TAC for review and recommendations.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon asked if Officer Rateau could inform the Board if all other elementary schools have the electronic signs designating School Zones.

5. Taste of Arlington - Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Representative

Mr. Bruce Fitzsimmons, speaking on behalf of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, requested that the Town of Arlington co-host the Chamber's "Taste of Arlington" event scheduled for October 22, 2013 at Town Hall. The Chamber has an experienced committee that is already working on creating the best "Taste of Arlington" ever with even more restaurants and participants than in 2011.

Mr. Greeley moved to co-host said event.

SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

7:15 p.m. Public Hearing

NOTE: There are five (5) Hackney/Taxi Business Operator licenses available for approval.

6. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License (2)

Shafan K. Nath d/b/a Boston Airport Express

402 Rindge Ave., Apt. 12H, Cambridge, MA 02140

(tabled from 4/22/13 meeting)

Mrs. Mahon moved to approve (1) Hackney/Taxi License.

SO VOTED (5-0)

7. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License (1)

Mohammed Shahjahan d/b/a Airport Car and Van

26 Linden Street, Apt. 1, Medford, MA 02155

(tabled from 4/22/13 meeting)

Mr. Byrne moved to table to future meeting.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License (2)

Daniel Kalantar, Limolex.com d/b/a The Good Taxi

20 Sycamore Ave., Medford, MA 02155

Mr. Byrne moved to approve (1) Hackney/Taxi License.

SO VOTED (5-0)

9. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License (2)

Abdullahi J. Magan d/b/a Boston Ride

18 Holton St., Medford, MA 02155

Mrs. Mahon moved to approve (1) Hackney/Taxi License.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mr. Dunn requested that the Board review the Hackney/Taxi Applications in September to look at Insurance Liabilities, etc. before renewals are due. Also, Mrs. Mahon suggested that we get reports from each vendor as to how much business/service they do in Arlington. Mrs. Mahon asked the Town Counsel and Town Manager to inquire as to what the City of Boston requires for insurance for each operator/owner cab.

10. Request: Common Victualler License

Tushar Patel d/b/a Nicola Pizza, 1215 Massachusetts Avenue

Mrs. Mahon moved to table to future meeting.

SO VOTED (5-0)

11. CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

Except in unusual circumstances, any matter presented for consideration of the Board shall neither be acted upon, nor a decision made the night of the presentation in accordance with the policy under which the Open Forum was established. It should be noted that there is a three minute time limit to present a concern or request.

Mary Winstanley O'Connor, 781 Concord Turnpike, spoke in favor of reappointing Mr. Joseph Tulimieri to the Zoning Board of Appeals. She stated that Mr. Tulimieri expertise is essential now that we are working on a long-range master plan. She

stated Joe is a wealth of knowledge as far as being a member of the ZBA and she feels continuity is incredibly important to the Town. Mrs. Winstanley stated that she served with Mr. Tulimieri for 10 years as a member of the ZBA and at all times he acted professionally and knowledgeably.

Eugene Lucarelli, 99 Newland Road, stated he agreed with everything that Ms. O'Connor said and feels Mr. Tulimieri is a unique individual and an incredible asset to the Town of Arlington. He stated that his knowledge and ability in community planning are not replaceable. Mr. Lucarelli stated that he was shocked that there is any possible consideration of not appointing one of the great volunteers in the Town of Arlington.

Carol Kowalski, Director of Planning & Community Development, stated that Mr. Tulimieri placed a major role in writing the Town's zoning bylaws in 1974 and is a redevelopment expert in the Commonwealth and throughout Massachusetts.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

12. Vote: Selectman Liaison to Battle Road Scenic Byway Task Force

Clarissa Rowe

Mr. Greeley moved that Clarissa Rowe be appointed as the liaison to the Board. Also, he recommended Angela Olszewski as a representative to the Committee. SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon not present for vote.

13. For Approval: ABAC Bike Safety Checks @ Linwood Circle Area, June 8, 2013

Christopher Tonkin, Chair, Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee

Mr. Tonkin stated that the ABAC would like to set up an education and bike safety check point along the Donald R. Marquis Minuteman Trail. As in past years, they would like to establish the station next to the open area near Linwood Circle. The planned date for the program is Saturday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Byrne moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

14. Vote: Amend Board of Survey, Street Names

Jake Upton

Mr. Upton asked the Board to support the street name changes from "Old Hospital Road" to "Symmes Road" and Hattie's Way to "Old Hospital Way". The Arlington Redevelopment Board has endorsed the proposed street names with a formal vote. Mr. Upton worked closely with Town Historian, Richard Duffy on selecting street names to commemorate historical figures associated with the site.

15. Update: Selectmen Awards

Kevin F. Greeley, Selectman

Mr. Greeley stated that any Board member that would like to recommend an individual for an award must present it at Monday's meeting for consideration. At said meeting, the Board will choose a date - possibly June 20th or 27th.

16. Discussion: Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment Process

Daniel J. Dunn, Chair

Mr. Dunn stated that he would be interviewing all applicants and the two candidates for reappointment within the next few weeks. After said interviews, he would recommend two to the Selectmen rather than simply reappoint. Mr. Curro and Mrs. Mahon stated that it makes sense to interview other candidates for these appointments. Mr. Curro stated that other boards have screening processes. Mr. Byrne stated it would disrupt a set precedent and that we are essentially saying we're going to begin this process for seats that under any other circumstances would just be reappointed. He feels it is a poor policy.

Mr. Greeley stated that he would moved to reappointment both candidates at the beginning of the discussion.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-1)

Mr. Byrne voted in the negative.

Correspondence Received

Peter Silva Disappointed in Selectmen Position re:
73 Fountain Road East Arlington Bicycle Lanes

Be Rec'd

Mark Paolillo, Chair, Letter to Dr. Bouquillon, Superintendent
Belmont Board of Minuteman School District
Selectmen

Be Rec'd

Deborah A. Fairbanks Letter to ZBA, Request for Appeal of
8 College Avenue Violation Notices

Be Rec'd

Anne Pedersen Victoria Road Concerns
22 Johnson Road

Be Rec'd

The Board asked Town Manager Chapdelaine to forward to Chief Ryan for review and recommendations.

Mr. Greeley moved receipt of correspondence received.

SO VOTED (5-0)

New Business

Mr. Chapdelaine stated that it will be a year in June since the Board met to discuss the Board of Selectmen Goals for FY 2014. Mr. Chapdelaine will discuss at the meeting on May 20th.

Mrs. Mahon once again expressed her gratitude for the assistance and support that the Arlington Police Department offered to Boston in the aftermath of the Boston Marathon bombings. She suggested that maybe they could be included in the Awards Night that the Police Dept. has every spring.

Mr. Greeley, Mr. Curro, Mr. Dunn and Mr. Byrne all agreed with Mrs. Mahon regarding the outstanding job that the Chief and the entire Police Dept. did during the tragic events.

Mr. Greeley mentioned that Tuesday, May 21st, the Arlington Historical Society will be hosting "Town Hall in Character" at 7:30 p.m. This is a "moving program" where participants will get to know different corners of our Town Hall and meet extraordinary Characters from Arlington's history. Selectman Curro and Selectman Greeley will be performing in said program.

Mr. Greeley also reminded the residents to purchase tickets for the Centennial Celebration of Arlington Town Hall and Gardens on Friday, June 7th.

Mr. Curro thanked Lt. Paul Conroy and Officer Rateau for meeting with him last week to walk the proposed site of the Arlington Alive Summer Concert to be held on Saturday, July 13th at Broadway Plaza.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator

Next scheduled meeting of BoS May 20, 2013.

5-13-13

Agenda Item Documents Used

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